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Re: Resubmission of Preliminary Amendment filed on September 4, 2008
U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 10/702,038
Our Ref. No.: NGB.327

Dear Examiner Boswell:

Further to Applicants' telephone message to the Examiner on September 11, 2008,
attached herewith is a resubmission of the preliminary Amendment filed on September 4, 2008.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,


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In re Application of

Kouichi Katou, et al.

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Filed: November 6, 2003

Examiner: Christopher J. Boswell

For: LOCK APPARATUS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESUBMISSION OF AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Sir:

Applicants hereby resubmit the preliminary Amendment filed on September 4, 2008.

Applicants discovered an editorial error in previously presented claim 1. Accordingly,

Applicants have corrected the editorial to clarify the record.

Prior to further examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper. The amendments to the claims do not add new matter.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.